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APPLICANT: CLAUDE GEBLER ET AL
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TITLE: FILTER BODY OF A FLUID FILTER, ESPECIALLY AN AIR FILTER

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ATTN.: BOX PCT APPLICATION

Ass't. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to the initial Office Action, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On Page 1, line 1, please insert the following paragraphs:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

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Applicants claim priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 of German
Application No. 199 35 297.6, filed on July 27, 1999. Applicants
also claim priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 of PCT/DE00/02445, filed
on July 25, 2000. The international application under PCT article
21(2) was not published in English.--